

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR BOARD ON GEOGRAPHIC NAMES WASHINGTON, D.C. 20242 DOMESTIC GEOGRAPHIC NAME REPORT	<input type="checkbox"/>	Controversial name	Recommended name Tanque Verde Ridge
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Name change	State Arizona
	<input type="checkbox"/>	Changed application	County Pima
	<input type="checkbox"/>	Other	

Lat. 32° 09' "N, Long. 110° 44' "W, Mouth End Center (Circle one)
 Lat. 32° 12' "N, Long. 110° 36' "W, Heading End (Circle one)

Description of feature: where appropriate, give shape, length, width, direction of flow or trend, direction and distance of extremities from points with established names, and section, township, range, meridian where useful, also elevation if known.

Tanque Verde ridge is located in the Rincon Mountains of Southern Arizona in Pima County. It runs in a northeasterly direction from the southwest corner of Saguaro National Monument (East Unit) to Juniper Basin, Tanque Verde Peak and Cowhead Saddle. It is about 9 miles in length. It starts at about 2948 ft. in elevation in T15S R16E S5 SW 1/4 and goes over Tanque Verde Peak (7,049 Elevation) and ends at Cowhead Saddle (approx. 6000 ft. elevation).

Published Maps Using Recommended Name (Map name, date, agency, & scale)	Variant Name or Application	Map or Source Using Variant (Map name, date, agency, & scale)
Arizona Place Names University of Arizona Press 1960	Tanque Verde Mountains	USGS - Rincon Valley, Arizona Quad. N3200 - W11030/15

Available information as to origin, spelling, and meaning of the recommended name and/or statement concerning nature of difference in usage or application: The original name for the entire mountain range which includes the Tanque Verde ridge is the Rincon Mountains. Rincon is a Spanish name for corner or right angle. (See Rincon Mountains, Arizona Place Names, University of Arizona Press 1960). Early maps show the entire range to be the Rincon Mountains. See Survey Map of August 31, 1894, Surveyor General's Office, Tucson, Arizona. Surveys were made by J. H. Martineau in 1893 and by F. F. White in 1873. Map was approved by Levi H. Manning, Surveyor General. Also, see Survey Map of Sept. 9, 1901, Surveyor General's Office, Tucson, Arizona. Surveys made of the meanders of Tanque Verde Creek in 1900 by Philip Contzen. Map was signed by George Christ, Surveyor General. The entire area now indicated as Tanque Verde Mountains was named Rincon Mountains. Another similar map of October 10, 1898, with surveys of Philip Contzen in 1897, shows same designation for the entire range.

"Arizona Place Names" does not reference Tanque Verde Mountains, but does reference
(continued on attached sheet)

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Tanque Verde water holes and community site. However, it does speak of Tanque Verde Ridge as a northwestern extension of the Rincon Mountains.

We have all recognized for many years that Tanque Verde Mountains was not a correct name and especially since later maps have extended the term to include portion of the west side of Mica Mountain. It seems logical and in keeping with other similar mountain ranges in Southern Arizona that this entire range should be the "Rincon Mountains" with Tanque Verde Ridge being an extension of those mountains. Copy of map attached.